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Minutes – KHPAB Meeting of April 18, 2006

Board Members Absent:

Susan Page, Pratt Regional Medical Center

All Remaining Board Members Present.

Board Staff Present:

- Dr. Robert Day, Executive Director
- Dr. Andy Allison, Deputy Director

Legal Counsel Present:

- H. Philip Elwood

Guests Present:

- Dr. Ray Davis, Lawrence KS
- Dr. Barb Langner, KUMC, Kansas City KS

Call to Order – Welcome – Introductions:

- Chair Marcia Nielsen called the meeting to order, welcomed the board members and guests, and reviewed the agenda (handout). Dr. Ray Davis, the newly nominated member to the Authority, and Mr. Phil Elwood, Legal Counsel for the Authority, were introduced to the group.
- **ACTION:** Dr. Nielsen will follow-up on the status of Dr. Davis' confirmation and will advise the Board members.
- Dr. Nielsen distributed to the members an additional handout which related to Medicaid reform activities in Massachusetts, which was briefly reviewed by the group.
- **ACTION:** Dr. Day and Dr. Allison will review in greater detail the Massachusetts Medicaid reform plan and bring back a summary to the May 16th Authority meeting.

Updates from Dr. Robert Day, Executive Director:

- **Budget and Legislative Update.** A copy of the FY2006 Authority approved budget was distributed along with copy of current Authority expenditures. A number of Governor Budget Amendments (GBAs) have been submitted by the Division/Authority in the areas. As the budget legislative activities continue, the Board members will continue to be updated.
- The members briefly reviewed a Legislative Summary (handout) which listed bills of interest to the Authority, description of the bill, and current status of the bill.
- A copy of information provided to the legislators in preparation of the Omnibus Session was also distributed; this packet includes background and rationale for a number of current programs within the Division, to include: Healthy Kansas First Five (0-5 Health Insurance Coverage for Children); Enhanced Care Management; Business Health Partnership; Presumptive Disability/MediKan.

- Organizational Update: Dr. Day briefly reviewed on-going work being done in the reorganization of the Division; management staff have been reviewing common functions and roles between the State Employees Health Plan office and Medicaid office, to see where efficiencies can be gained.
- ACTION: A new Division organization chart and structure will be distributed and discussed at the next Authority meeting.

Updates from Dr. Andy Allison, Deputy Director

- Dr. Allison reviewed with the group the draft Data Consortium Charter which outlined the establishment and charge of the Consortium, responsibilities, membership, expectations of accountability, and staff support duties. Discussion was held regarding membership.
- ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and passed to delete AARP from the membership and to add: Kansas Ass'n of Health Plans; KS Dept on Aging; KS Dept of Education; one group representing for-profit LTC group and one not-for-profit LTC group. The draft Charter was approved as amended.
- Dr. Allison briefly reviewed the draft Retreat Summary document (handout) which included minor revisions requested at the March Authority Board meeting. The consensus was to approve this draft as written, and this document will be made available on the Authority website.

Report by Phil Elwood, Legal Counsel

- Mr. Elwood distributed to the group a copy of basic duties as a Board Member, along with draft copy of Authority By-Laws (handouts). The basic duties included understanding the Authority's purpose, participation in meetings, conflict of interest issues, Board Action and Governance, rules for the Kansas Open Meeting Act, and the process for calling for an Executive Session. The role of the Board was discussed briefly, which includes policy-making, decision-making and advocacy.
- ACTION: Mr. Elwood suggested that the Board determine those issues that require the Board's attention. Dr. Day agreed to compile a list of such issues requiring the Board's review and have available at the next meeting. Dr. Day will also obtain cost estimates for purchasing Directors/Officers liability insurance to be available at next meeting.
- The proposed by-laws were reviewed and discussed.
- ACTION: Further clarifications will be added to the draft by-laws and the document will be resubmitted to the Board at the next meeting.

Medicaid Overview by Scott Brunner, Medicaid Director

- An overview (see handout) was presented which outlined the customers/populations, products, and business process for Medicaid. The overview described the populations which are mandated for Medicaid services, those which are optional, and Presumptive Eligible customers. Medicaid products include Title XIX Medicaid Fee for Service populations, Title XXI PCCM Managed Care, HealthWave, and MediKan/Presumptive Disability. Medicaid business processes include eligibility determination, administrative/operations, and delivery of services.

Executive Session

- ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and passed to recess for an executive session, for consultation with the Board's attorney which would be deemed privilege in the attorney/client relationship; the session would last 45 minutes.

The public meeting reconvened at 2:00 pm.

Update on Executive Search Subcommittee

- Ned Holland reported that two proposals for search firms have been received. He requested additional assistance be provided for this task; those volunteering to serve include: Duane Goossen/staff, Connie Hubbell, and Joe Tilghman. Dr. Day agreed to arrange for additional meetings related to this task.
- ACTION: Dr. Nielsen asked if the Board was ready to advance names of candidates to serve as Vice-Chair; motion was made, seconded, and carried to nominate Connie Hubbell to serve as the Board's Vice-Chair.

Report from Dr. Robert Day – Health Information Technology

- H4C and Health Information Exchange.- Commission is chaired by the Lt Gov and staff by the DHPF. Purpose is to advocate health information technology and exchange (HIT/HIE) of health information across all systems. DHPF received \$75,000 in grant monies for this electronic health initiative (eHI). Working groups are being developed to continue this effort in the areas of clinical, governance, financial and technology.
- Community Health Record - This pilot project for HealthWave participants was launched in April 2006 in the Sedgwick County area, to utilize an electronic health record among providers. A press release describing this project was included as a handout and provided additional information about the project.
- Enhanced Care Mgmt - This also is a pilot project which began in February 2006 in the Wichita area and deals with consumers who incur high medical costs due to chronic diseases. The project's goal is to manage the patient's needs in the home setting using a holistic approach with disease management. Currently the project serves 50 Medicaid consumers and an evaluation of the project is being done by Trajectory Consultants.

Additional Update by Dr. Howard Rodenberg

- Dr. Howard Rodenberg updated the group on status of the recent mumps outbreak and provided a handout which outlined efforts being made by KDHE to track the disease to prevent further outbreaks.

Next Steps for the Board

- Dr. Nielsen – Status on Dr. Davis' confirmation to Board
- Dr. Day and Dr. Allison – Implications of KHPA expansion of programs by SRS, Aging, etc.
- Dr. Day and Dr. Allison – Medicaid Reform summary/State of Massachusetts
- Dr. Day – Cost estimate for Director/Officer liability insurance
- Dr. Day – Criteria for decision-making by Board vs. Executive Director
- Legal Counsel – Revise proposed bylaws revised; develop a draft conflict of interest policy
- Dr. Day and Dr. Allison – Timeline and process for Town Hall Meetings
- Dr. Day - Schedule meeting with Search Committee

Public Comments/Adjournment:

There were no public comments received from the audience.

Meeting was adjourned.

The next Authority Board meeting is May 16th, 8:30 to 3:30.

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